

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Servants – Irrigation & C.A.D. Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district – Departmental action under rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 – Initiated – Imposing penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect – Orders – Issued.

IRRIGATION AND COMMAND AREA DEVELOPMENT (SER.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1381

Dated: 22.12.2012.

Read the following:-

- 1) From the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Nizamabad Range, Automex Message, dated 05.02.2004.
- 2) Govt.Memo.No.E.21741/Ser.VI-1/2004-1, dated 20.02.2004.
- 3) Proceedings No.Rc/ENC/S2(2)/4925/2004, dated 28.02.2004 of Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.
- 4) From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter C.No.82/RCO-NMD/2004-S4, dated 11.07.2005.
- 5) G.O.Rt.No.1192, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 23.08.2006.
- 6) From Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer (u/s) written statement of defence, dated 09.10.2006.
- 7) G.O.Rt.No.1671, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 18.12.2006.
- 8) G.O.Rt.No.1315, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 24.11.2007.
- 9) G.O.Rt.No.384, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 25.03.2008.
- 10) G.O.Rt.No.1390, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 18.08.2009.
- 11) G.O.Rt.No.1420, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 23.11.2010.
- 12) G.O.Rt.No.1223, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 07.12.2011.
- 13) G.O.Rt.No.651, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 05.06.2012.
- 14) From Sri. Alok Srivastava, Commissioner of Inquiries, G.A. (COI) Department, D.O. Lr.No.189/COI-AS/2012, dated 07.08.2012.
- 15) Govt.Memo.No.21741/Ser.VI-1/2004-28, dated 16.08.2012.
- 16) From Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Dommata, Medak district representation dated 17.10.2012.

ORDER:-

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that a trap case was registered by the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities against Sri. V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district, as he had been indulged in corrupt practices by collecting illegal gratification from the complainant. The Accused Officer was arrested on 20.05.2004.

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2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad was requested to place Sri. V. Rajaiah, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district under suspension with immediate effect. Accordingly, the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad has issued orders, placing Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer under suspension from the date of communication of the orders under Rule 8 (1) of A.P. Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 until the conclusion of the disciplinary proceedings, vide reference 3rd read above.
3. In the reference 4th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad has submitted his final report and among other things, recommended to initiate departmental action against Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer (under suspension) for violation of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
4. In the reference 5th read above, departmental proceedings under rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 were initiated against Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer (under suspension) and Articles of Charges have been framed and communicated to him for submitting his written statement of defence. The charge is that the Accused Officer has not obtained prior permission from the competent authority before acquiring properties in the name of his wife and also not submitted annual property returns to the competent authority from the date of his appointment to till 28.05.2004.
5. In the reference 6th read above, Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer (under suspension) has submitted his written statement of defence, denying the charges framed against him and requested to drop the further action against him.
6. In the reference 8th read above, orders were issued, reinstating Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer into service without prejudice to criminal / departmental proceedings pending against him.
7. In the G.O. 13th read with G.O.(s) 7th, 10th to 12th read above, orders were issued, appointing Sri. Alok Srivatsava, I.P.S. (Retd.), Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority, for conducting departmental inquiry into the charges framed against Sri. V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district.
8. In the G.O. 9th read above, orders were issued, appointing Ms. K. Sreedevi as a Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiring Authority on behalf of the disciplinary authority.
9. In the reference 14th read above, Sri. Alok Srivatsava, I.P.S. (Retd.), Commissioner of Inquiries, General Administration (COI) Department & Inquiring Authority has submitted his Inquiry Report. In the Inquiry Report, the Inquiring Authority held that the Articles of Charges framed against Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer were proved.
10. In the reference 15th read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer inviting his representation.

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11. In the reference 16th read above, Sri. V. Rajaiah, Deputy Executive Engineer has submitted his representation, stating that the Inquiring Authority without taking his submissions into consideration during the inquiry proceedings, has held that the charges framed against him were proved. He has finally stated that he is ready to produce the original evidences in support of his each submission, if the authority ordered for production of the same. He has, therefore, requested to consider his submissions and to drop further action against him in the principles of natural justice.

12. After careful examination of the matter, Government have observed that there are no new grounds/reasons other than those what were contended before the Inquiring Authority for Articles of Charges framed against him, and therefore, accepted the findings of the Inquiring Authority. Therefore, it has been decided to impose a penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect on Sri. V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district, without prejudice to the criminal case pending against him before the Hon'ble A.C.B. Court. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect on Sri. V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district, without prejudice to the criminal case pending against him before the Hon'ble A.C.B. Court.

13. The Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHAILENDRA KUMAR JOSHI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri. Sri. V. Rajaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Branch Sub-Division, Ramayampet, Medak district and presently Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation Sub-Division, Dommata, Medak district through the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General (A & E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER